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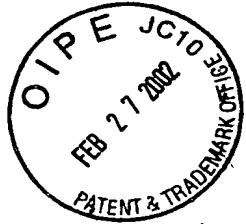
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FOR: **A Gene Encoding a Multidrug Resistance Human P-Glycoprotein Homologue on Chromosome 7p15-21 and Uses Thereof**



Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action dated November 29, 2001 be extended through the date of filing of this Petition, fee payment, and accompanying Response.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) for a small entity is believed to be \$2000.00 for a two-month extension. Fee payment is provided by our accompanying check. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than that provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under our Order No. 81994/279322.

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Respectfully submitted,

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